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RANEY CATALYST, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING IT AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING A SUGAR-

ALCOHOL USING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

September 27, 2001

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 27, 2001, the period for response having been extended three (3) additional months to September 27, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the about MECEIVED OCT 1 2001 TC 1700 application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please carcel claim 6 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter disclosed therein.

## Please amend the following claims:

- 1. (Three Times Amended) A powder Raney catalyst obtained by
- (i) melting nickel and aluminum,

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